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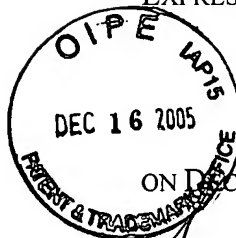
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1. RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 16, 2005; AND
2. RETURN RECEIPT POSTCARD ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED ITEM.

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ATTY/SEC: BSA/ptd

APPLICANT(S): (initially) et al.

USN: 19/774,240 FILED: 02-06-2004

PAT NO.: N/A

☐ New Application with Transmittal Letter

☐ Utility ☐ Design ☐ CIP ☐ Provisional

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☐ Amendment:

☐ Transmittal ☐ Large Entity ☐ Small Entity

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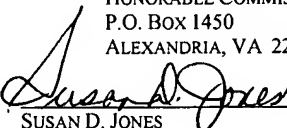
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	
Richard E. Waitkus, Jr.	§	Group Art No. 2857
	§	
Serial No.: 10/774,240	§	
	§	
Filed: February 6, 2004	§	Examiner: Tung S. Lau
	§	
For: Systems and Methods for Material	§	
Management	§	Atty Docket No.: 016093.0118

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 16, 2005

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 16 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action. The three-month shorted statutory period expires on September 16, 2005, therefore this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the "Listing of Claims," which begins on page 3 of this Response.

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this Response.